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Overview

This bill prohibits an administrative rule from becoming effective until it has been approved by law. “Approval by law” means that the legislature must enact, and the governor must sign, a law approving the rules before they take effect.

On a more narrow scale, a similar process exists in current law for rules with a cost of compliance for small businesses and small cities that exceeds \$25,000. In those cases, a small business or small city may request a waiver from the rules and is not required to comply unless the legislature approves, by law, the rule’s application to that business or city.

Section

- 1** **Generally.** Provides the substantive requirement that rules must be approved by law before taking effect.
This section also includes technical modifications to reflect this new requirement.
- 2** **Publication of adopted rule; effective date.** Clarifies that a rule is not effective until it has been approved by law, in addition to its publication in the State Register.
- 3** **Publication of adopted rule; effective date.** Provides that rules adopted using the expedited rulemaking process do not take effect until the rules have been approved by law.
- 4** **Effective date.** Provides an immediate effective date for the bill. The requirement for legislative approval would apply to rules for which a notice of adoption is published on or after that date.